including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, see the section entitled Public Participation.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bianca Carr, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W23–453, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202– 366–9309, Email *Bianca.carr@dot.gov*.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As

described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel SWOOSH is:

- —Intended Commercial Use of Vessel: "Sailing tours"
- -Geographic Region Including Base of Operations: "California, Oregon, Washington, Alaska (excluding waters in Southeast Alaska), Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Hawaii, Maine, Rhode Island, New York (excluding water in New York Harbor), Massachusetts" (Base of Operations: Elgin, AZ)

-Vessel Length and Type: 31' sailboat The complete application is available for review identified in the DOT docket as MARAD-2019-0164 at http:// www.regulations.gov. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the vessel name, state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in section 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

#### **Public Participation**

## How do I submit comments?

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Where do I go to read public comments, and find supporting information?

Go to the docket online at *http://www.regulations.gov.,* keyword search

MARAD–2019–0164 or visit the Docket Management Facility (see **ADDRESSES** for hours of operation). We recommend that you periodically check the Docket for new submissions and supporting material.

# Will my comments be made available to the public?

Yes. Be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, will be made publicly available.

#### May I submit comments confidentially?

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(Authority: 49 CFR 1.93(a), 46 U.S.C. 55103, 46 U.S.C. 12121)

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Dated: October 8, 2019.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

## T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 2019–22356 Filed 10–11–19; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Maritime Administration**

[Docket No. DOT-MARAD-2019-0163]

# Request for Comments of a New Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on July 9, 2019.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before November 14, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thanos Perlegas, Telephone Number: (202) 366–0772, Office of Federal Sealift, Division of Sealift Operations and Emergency Response, Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* MARAD Exercise Breakout Survey.

*OMB Control Number:* 2133–New. *Type of Request:* Approval of a new information collection.

Background: This is a survey conducted on a voluntary basis that provides vital information to the Ready Reserve Force Program. The survey follows MARAD's Exercise Breakout which was intended to test MARAD's internal administrative procedures, as well as the coordination necessary for a complete activation of MARAD's Ready Reserve Force (RRF) and the Military Sealift Command (MSC) Surge Sealift Fleet to meet strategic sealift requirements. Periodic testing is necessary in view of the dynamics that affect the RRF program, which include changes in RRF fleet composition, readiness status, ship location as well as changes to the seafaring manpower base. This information collection will provide MARAD with insights and experience of those involved in the RRF exercise and

as a result supports the DOT Strategic Goal of providing for the National Security of the country by providing surge sealift capabilities.

*Respondents:* Merchant Mariners who were included in the EXERCISE BREAKOUT 2019.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for profit.

Total Estimated Number of Responses: 200.

Frequency of Collection: One time. Estimated Time per Respondent: .05 hours.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 10.

Public Comments Invited: Comments are invited on whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; 49 CFR 1.93.

Dated: October 8, 2019.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

## T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 2019–22346 Filed 10–11–19; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### **Maritime Administration**

[Docket No. MARAD-2019-0160]

### Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel AD ASTRA (Sailboat); Invitation for Public Comments

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.build requirements of the coastwise trade laws to allow the carriage of no more than twelve passengers for hire on vessels, which are three years old or more. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. **DATES:** Submit comments on or before November 14, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket Number MARAD–2019–0160 by any one of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov. Search MARAD-2019-0160 and follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• *Mail or Hand Delivery*: Docket Management Facility is in the West Building, Ground Floor of the U.S. Department of Transportation. The Docket Management Facility location address is: U.S. Department of Transportation, MARAD–2019–0160, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

*Note:* If you mail or hand-deliver your comments, we recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a telephone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and specific docket number. All comments received will be posted without change to the docket at *www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, see the section entitled *Public Participation*.

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Intended Commercial Use of Vessel: "Sailing instruction"

Geographic Region Including Base of Operations: "California, Oregon, Washington" (Base of Operations: Half Moon Bay, CA)

*Vessel Length and Type:* 26' sailboat. The complete application is available

for review identified in the DOT docket as MARAD–2019–0160 at *http:// www.regulations.gov.* Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.- vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the vessel name, state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in section 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

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